

Janice K. Brewer Governor

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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The Honorable Ken Bennett Secretary of State 1700 West Washington Phoenix, Arizona 85007

RE: House Bill 2076 (military applicants; license requirements)

Dear Secretary Bennett,

Today, I signed House Bill 2076 (military applicants; license requirements). This legislation establishes guidelines for military applicants when applying for a Commercial Driver License (CDL), as well as requirements to perform as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN).

I applaud the sponsor for bringing forth this legislation, which helps our separating service members receive credit for the valuable training they gained while serving in our armed forces. By helping to ease the licensing process when obtaining a CDL or becoming an LPN, this bill helps further one of my Four Cornerstones; connecting our trained veterans to jobs in the civilian labor force.

To further this legislation, I encourage all state licensing agencies to examine their licensing rules, policies and statutes to find opportunities where our service members' military training can be credited toward existing requirements or where waivers may be granted.

The United States has the most highly trained and skilled military in the world. We can continue to honor our veterans' service and sacrifice in Arizona by allowing their military training to help them transition into the civilian work force.

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cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs

The Honorable Andy Tobin
The Honorable Sonny Borrelli